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ADMINISTRATOR RUSSELL TRAIN TO THE USSR

REF: A. BROWN/WARD TELECON MAY 8; B. MOSCOW 6531

1. DEPARTMENT REQUESTED INFORM DR. WM. BROWN, EPA, THAT LOBENER RECEIVED MAY 13 IZRAEL/TRAIN LETTER REGARDING TRAIN'S FORTH-COMING VISIT TO THE USSR.

2. THERE FOLLOWS INFORMAL TRANSLATION OF TEXT:

QUOTE: DEAR MR. TRAIN:

I WOULD LIKE TO CONFIRM MY AGREEMENT ON THE HOLDING OF OUR MEETING IN THE USSR JUNE 7-20. IN AM IN AGREEMENT WITH THE PROPOSAL TO HOLD THE DISCUSSIONS IN MOSOW IN THE SHORTEST POSSIBLE TIME AND TO DEVOTE THE MAJOR PORTION OF YOUR VISIT TO THE USSR TO GAINING FAMILIARIZATIN WITH THE WORK OF SCIENTIFIC INSTITUTIONS AND SPECIALISTS INVOLVED WITH THE PROJECTS UNDER THE ENVIRONMENTAL AGREEMENT.

I THINK THAT WE SHALL HAVE SUFFICIENT TIME FOR A VISIT TO ACCOMPLISH THIS AIM IN CENTRAL ASIA (INCLUDING THE GARM-DUSHAMBE AREA) AND TO WRANGEL ISLAND. AT THE PRESENT TIME, A DETAILED PROGRAM FOR YOUR VISIT IS BEING WORKED OUT. EVERYTHING IS ARRANGED FOR YOUR VISIT TO CENTRAL ASIA AND I AM SURE THAT THIS PORTION OF YOUR PROGRAM WILL BE INTERESTED AND MEANINFUL, ALTHOUGH IT WILL BE SOMEWHAT TIRING. THE DETAILS OF THE VISIT TO UNCLASSIFIED

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WRANGEL ISLAND ARE STILL NOT WORKED OUT COMPLETELY BECAUSE, AS YOU

WILL UNDERSTAND, TRIPS TO THE NORTHERN REGIONS, ESPECIALLY SHORT TRIPS, REQUIRE CAREFUL PREPARATION.

FOR THE BETTER PART OF MAY I MUST BE IN GENEVA IN CONNECTION WITH MY PARTICIPATION IN THE WMO CONGRESS, HOWEVER I DO NOT BELIEVE THAT THIS WILL INTERFERE WITH THE PLANNING FOR YOUR VISIT.

YU. A. IZRAEL. UNQUOTE.

3. LETTER BEING POUCHED TO DR. BROWN, REGISTRY NO. 2404083.

4. LOEBNER DISCUSSED WITH KUVSHINNIKOV ASPECTS OF NEEDED PREPARATION FOR SHORT TRIP TO WRANGEL ISLAND. SINCE NORMAL AIR CONNECTIONS PRECLUDE A SHORTER STAY THAN 10 DAYS, IZRAEL TRYING ORGANIZE SPECIAL AEROFLOT FLIGHT. HYDROMET WORRIED WEATHER UNPREDICTABLE AND TEMPERATURE COULD DROP TO 10 DEGREES BELOW ZERO. THEY THINK 10 DAYS OF ROUGHING COULD BE TOO MUCH FOR TRAIN FAMILY. SHOULD KNOW BY MAY 23 WHETHER SPECIAL FLIGHT POSSIBLE.

5. AMBASSADOR WISHES TO EXTEND INVITATION TO TRAIN FAMILY TO STAY AT SPASO HOUSE WHILE IN MOSCOW.

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